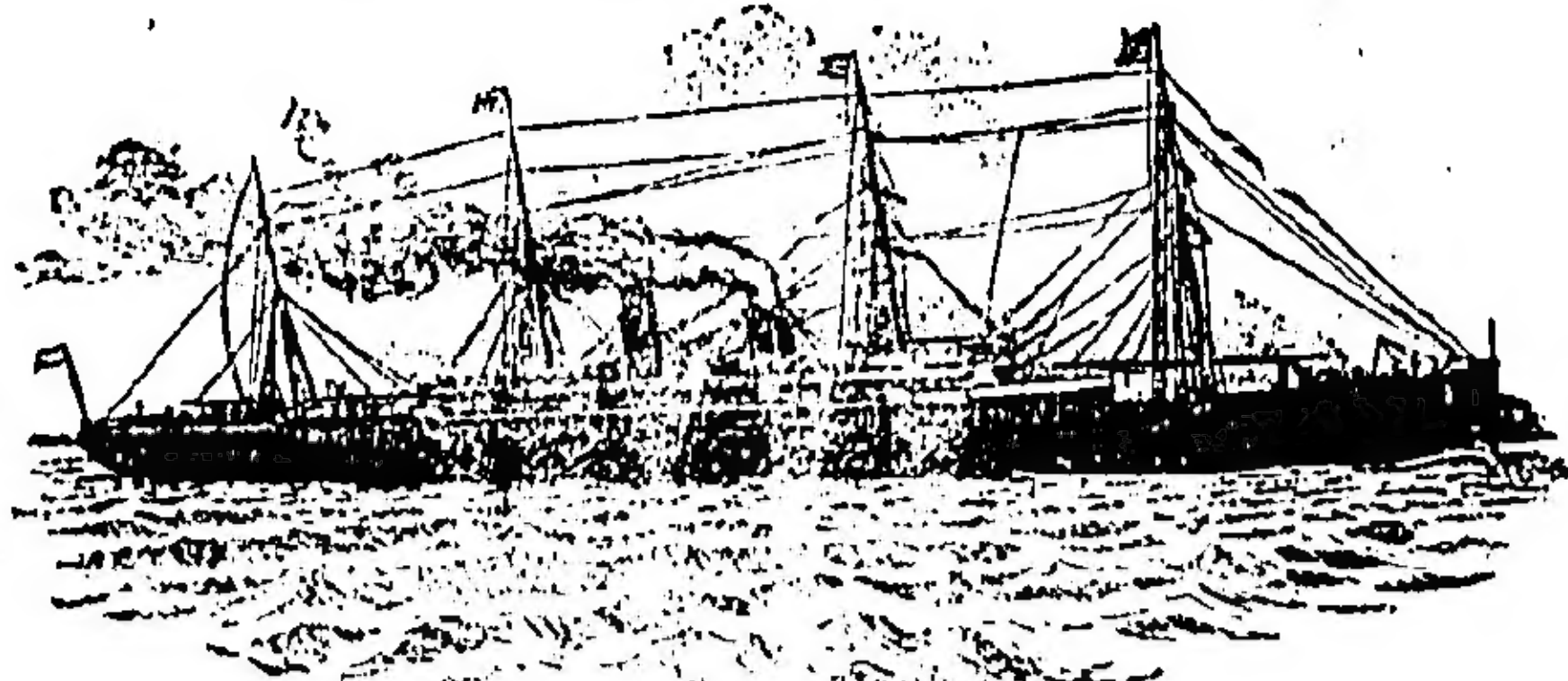


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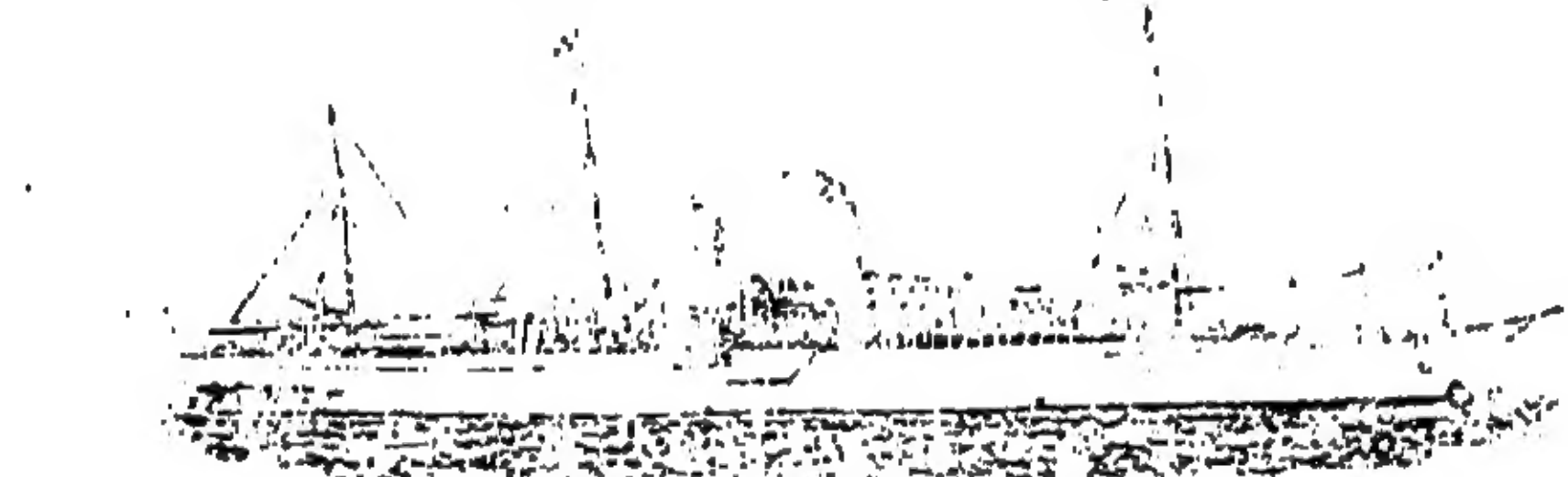
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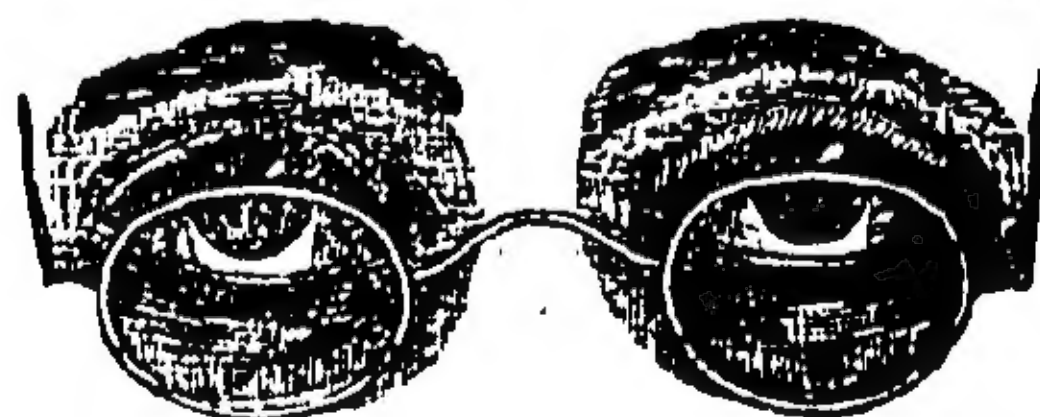
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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

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THE TWENTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 6th February, 1904, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving Statement of Account and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, to SATURDAY, the 6th February, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1904.

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the OFFICE of Messrs. EWENS and HARTSON, Solicitors, No. 36, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 11th day of February, 1904, at 4 o'clock P.M., when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed. Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

RESOLUTION.
"That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies' Ordinances of Hongkong and that Mr. TANG KWAI POK of Hongkong be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up."
Dated the 27th January, 1904.

NG LAU TONG,
Managing Director.

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THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of FEBRUARY, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1904.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 6th to the 20th day of FEBRUARY, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1904.

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T. F. HOUGH,
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Hongkong, 18th January, 1904.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd January to the 6th February, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1904.

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HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on WEDNESDAY, the 10th FEBRUARY, 1904, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 13th February, 1904, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1904.

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HONGKONG ICE CO., LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the General Managers, Pedder's Street, at 12.30 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, 10th FEBRUARY, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Managers.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 10th February, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1904.

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HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1904.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, FEB. 3, 1904.

THE LULL EXPLAINED.

Readers of these columns will have seen from the telegraphic despatches received from our correspondent at Yokohama that, in Japanese circles, the assertions attributed to the London *Daily Graphic* were discredited in Japan. Reuter informed us on the 29th ultimo that the Russian reply would probably be despatched on the following Saturday, and the next wire brought the news that, according to the *Daily Graphic*, the reply was completed on Wednesday and approved of by the Tsar. The message added that the reply "is courteously worded, but absolutely refuses to re-insert the word 'China,' previously struck out of the clause in the draft treaty by which Russia and Japan agree to respect the integrity of China and Korea. It is anticipated that the official presentation of the reply will be followed by the withdrawal of the Minister from St. Petersburg, and a notification from Japan that she has no alternative but to take up arms in defence of her interests." Meanwhile, the delay is causing considerable indignation amongst the Japanese. In fact, we have it on the authority of our well-informed contemporary, the *Kobe Chronicle*, that resentment is begun to be felt at the inaction of the Government. According to that journal, in the opinion of many Japanese business men, the present deadlock has lasted too long, and is doing most serious harm to commercial and financial interests as well as to Japan's prestige. Despite the pacific news which continues to come forward from Europe, the Government organs assert that the Government has taken up a firm stand and intends to insist upon its demands to the full.

The opinion of a certain high official is quoted by a Japanese contemporary on the question. This official is said to have ridiculed the statements implying that the situation would have a peaceful outcome, and asked what the telegraphic agencies which sent such news forward could know of the actual situation. The telegram to the effect that the Japanese Minister at St. Petersburg had had an audience with the Tsar, who showed himself to be most pacifically inclined, especially excited the scorn of this official. There was no foundation for it, he said. According to his view of the position, the Russian Government was divided into two parties. The Minister for Home Affairs (M. Plehve) and the Minister for the Navy were the leaders of the bellicose section, while the peace party was led by General Kuropatkin (Minister for War), M. Plehve (Minister for Finance), and Count Lambsdorff (Minister for Foreign Affairs). Some people believed that because the Tsar was in favour of peace, the Peace party was certain to be triumphant. This was a mistake. The Tsar desired peace because he was afraid of what the Nihilists might do in case of war. The Peace party desired peace merely because it was not to Russia's interest to fight at the present time. Even if Russia yielded for the moment, the peace would be only temporary, and with a view to gaining strength for aggression in future. It was therefore essential to strike a blow at present, for such a favourable opportunity could happen only once in ten centuries. If the Northern Power were now disabled, the result might be peace for a very long time. Commenting upon this statement, the *Osaka Asahi* regards it as so much bunkum. The peace news, says our Osaka contemporary, might have been contradicted by something stronger than the issue of War Ordinances, which are so much waste paper. For all this bold talk, it is declared, the situation really remains unchanged. Reverting, however, to the statement of the London daily, alluded at the commencement of this article, we find it stated in a Tokio despatch to the *Asahi*, that the expected reply from Russia will be the final one from that Government, since the Japanese Government have not modified their determination in the least. This is one reason why Russia hesitates to despatch the message. It is asserted that a good many difficulties have arisen amongst the most responsible officials in St. Petersburg and their views have not yet been brought into accord. The reply—if a reply is really coming—will not be sent within two or three days from

Russia, says that paper. The cause of this delay is explained more in detail in a Peking message of the 26th ult., which is printed in the Japanese vernacular Press. It is said to be due to the difference of opinion amongst the leading members of the Russian Government. The Military and Naval officers hold divergent views as to the steps to be taken in the event of war, and M. Plehve, Financial Minister, has refused to allot any money for Military expenditure. The Chinese Minister to St. Petersburg, also, has reported to the Government that the delay in the despatch of the Russian Reply to Japan is due to difference of opinion amongst two or three high officials. Since the above was in type the telegram from our Yokohama correspondent, printed in this issue, has been received. It may be surmised that the communication transmitted from the Government at St. Petersburg is another step towards the final stage for the presentation of the Reply to Japan.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE greatest possible activity still prevails at the Kiangnan Arsenal, several large guns having been tested.

THERE is great perturbation in Manchester manufacturing circles owing to the present phenomenal price of raw cotton.

THREE German officers are now touring through South-western China, and they hope to pass on through Tibet to India.

THE Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Commissioner of Weihaiwei, accompanied by Mrs. Lockhart, arrived in Shanghai on the 29th ult. by the C. N. S. *Shengting*.

THE Yorkshire, Canton Fire, and Hongkong Fire Insurance companies on Jan. 20th deposited yen 100,000 each with the Department of Agriculture and Commerce, Japan, through the Kencho.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherlands Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Opium Guild \$125
Oil Guild 50

ACCORDING to the Spanish newspapers, a project is on foot for the marriage of King Alfonso to the daughter of his aunt, the Infanta Maria de la Paz. The Infanta is the wife of Prince Ludwig of Bavaria. Their daughter, Maria del Pilar, was born on March 13, 1891.

NEWS from Chemulpo dated the 24th ult. says that, according to the captain of the Japanese steamer *Sanjo Maru*, many Russian soldiers are deserting from Port Arthur, in view of which several Russian officers have been dispatched to Chefoo to intercept them.

THE cold is intense in Chemulpo. The petroleum used by the light-houses has been constantly freezing since the 23rd ult. and the Customs authorities are sending the steamer *Sakurai Maru* daily to the light-houses to warm the oil. The thermometer has registered 30° below zero.

THE picturesque appearance of the Russo-Chinese Bank ruins was preserved in tact up to yesterday morning, says the *P. & T. Times* of 23rd ult. The intense cold of Wednesday night and Thursday forenoon had converted the water drenched ruins into a veritable ice palace, every cave and ridge being heavily fringed with long thick icicles, and the trees close to the walls being thickly coated with frost. Curious effects were produced on Thursday by much of the ice and rum-coated debris still smoking.

A popular member of the Hongkong Press, Mr. W. H. Donald, sub-editor of the *China Mail*, left for Nagasaki this morning by the S. S. *Empire*. Our *confidante* is going to the front, should hostilities break out, as special correspondent for the *Sydney Daily Telegraph*, on the staff of which he was serving previous to his departure for this Colony. An Australian by birth, with the bush as a nursery, he should be the right man in the right place, and the good wishes of his fellow-journalists in Hongkong will accompany him.

THE N. C. D. N. states that the Kwangsi troubles, according to an official and soldiers interviewed, who had just returned from the N.W. Hunan-Kwangsi borders, is likely to continue indefinitely because of the guerrilla methods adopted. Hunan soldiers have not only been furnished by the thousands for Kwangsi, but now hundreds are being sent down river. Aside from 300 from Shansi by steamer, the writer saw a large number of big junks filled with soldiers en route to, they said, Wuchang and Kiukiang. Possibly their destination is farther north.

LAUNCH AT KOWLOON.

Messrs W. S. Bailey & Co. launched the *Kwong Tung* from their shipbuilding yard at Hok On last evening thus completing the second river steamer, contracted by that firm within the past eighteen months, for the Yuen On Steamship Co. She is a sister ship to the *Kwong Chow* which has been in charge of Capt. W. H. Walker who will now take command of the new vessel, which it should be mentioned was completed entirely at Messrs. Bailey & Co's Kowloon yard. The official trial will take place in a few days.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

PRIZE PRESENTATION.

Bishop Hoare presided at the distribution of prizes, which took place to-day, at St. Stephen's College. There were also present P. E. Mr. F. H. May, Mr. R. A. B. Ponsonby, the Revs. T. Wright, J. H. France, P. Jenkins, R. F. Gottschalk, W. J. Southam, James Creue, Messrs. J. Lewis Byrne, M.A., E. J. Barnett, M.A., A. Mackenzie, Dr. Ho Kai, Mrs. Barnett, Mrs. Fletcher and a number of ladies.

Mr. E. J. Barnett then read a lengthy report on the work of the College during the past year, and then explained that the Dux prize had been awarded to Tso See Hon, whose average for the eleven subjects was 79.5. H. E. Mr. F. H. May having presented the prizes, he said—My Lord Bishop, ladies and gentlemen,—one of the recommendations of the important commission that reported on education in 1902 was the introduction of a high school for Chinese—that is to say, a school where instruction in the English language and western subjects for the sons of Chinese of the upper classes could be had. It is a source of great satisfaction to me, as representing the Government of this Colony, to see that, by private enterprise, this recommendation has found its fulfilment (applause). If for no other reason, you will understand that it leaves more money for the Government, with which to cater for educational interests in other directions (Applause). I was very pleased to see from the report that in this school the principle of instructing in English subjects in the English tongue has been adopted. That is a principle that we are trying to carry out in our Government schools. We have already done something in that direction, but we cannot do as much as we would like to, because where a large number of schools are concerned, you will understand that the method is expensive. But still I think there can be only one opinion that it is the right way to teach English and English subjects. After all it is the way that English people do when they want to learn Chinese or any tongue other than their own. An Englishman who learns Chinese from a Chinaman who knows not a single word of English, invariably, I think, makes far greater progress in the acquisition of the spoken language, than does a man who thinks it is better and easier to employ a Chinaman who knows English. Therefore I think the converse must hold good; I am sure it does hold good. There is one point that has struck me in the report just read, and it is that of all the many subjects enumerated as being taught in this school, English history is apparently missing. Now, I think that in every school where English is taught, some English history should also be taught. It is not right that every student of English in this Colony should learn something of the history of the race that has made the Colony, and that rules it (Applause). I do not know whether any of you noticed the other day in the Legislative Council that a vote was taken for a sum of money to provide for visual instruction. It is a novel method, and the object is to increase the interest in the Empire generally in the Colonies. The method of procedure that is proposed will be of the following nature:—We shall obtain from Home a very powerful magic lantern and a large number of slides, illustrative of the seat of Government in England, the trade, the industry, the agriculture, and the social life of the mother country, and also some of the views of her industries, and commerce of those Colonies that contribute to the fund. I think you will learn with pleasure that Hongkong, as usual, is in the forefront with its contribution and I hope that before many months have passed to see this method of instruction introduced. Now I think you will agree with me that instruction by means of the magic lantern accompanied by lectures explaining the pictures which are exhibited could not be properly understood by boys who have not had some instruction in the history of the Empire. But apart from that I think that there could be no more edifying subject to study for boys of the Chinese race, especially boys belonging to the upper classes, than the history of the Empire, whose systematic good Government stands built up mainly by constitutional methods—the Empire of which it has been truly said that the sun never sets upon its territories—the Empire whose people are characterised by their undying devotion and loyalty to their sovereign. (Applause) And now I would like to notice one thing in the report that has given me personally a great deal of satisfaction. It is that in this school, to the scholars of the Chinese race at any rate, who are not Christians, instruction is given in the Holy Scripture. You know that we, Westerners, although we are not Confucians, are not so foolish as not to inform ourselves of the writings of that great scholar. Many valuable truths are inculcated in those writings, and I venture to think that Chinese, although they have no intention of becoming Christians, will receive great benefit from the study of the Holy Writ. In wishing you boys a very pleasant holiday after your year's work may I impress upon you what Mr. Barnett has urged you to do in his report. I mean your year of regular attendance. More than twenty years ago one of my greatest friends was a professor in the College at Peking for teaching western knowledge to the inhabitants of that city, and in several conversations with him he deplored the great difficulty that he found in getting his pupils to regularly attend his classes. So you see the fault is an old one, and it exists in this school here to-day. I hope you boys will show your compatriots in the northern capital that it is to the interest of every scholar to attend his classes with regularity (Applause).

After His Excellency had been thanked for his presence at the school, and also for the able speech he had made, Mr. Barnett explained with reference to His Excellency's remarks regarding English History being missing from the school's curriculum that he found that most of the boys showed a lamentable lack of knowledge of their own country's history and that he decided to give them six months' tuition in their own country's history, before giving them a course of English history. However, they were well posted regarding the outposts of the Empire and could answer almost any question relating to most of the colonies. The subject was not altogether overlooked.

With cheers for His Excellency, the Headmaster, and the Bishop this pleasant function was concluded.

A. D. C. OF H.M.S. "VENGEANCE."

AT THE CITY HALL.

The Amateur Dramatic Company of the *Vengeance* gave a most enjoyable entertainment at the Theatre Royal yesterday evening, the proceeds of which will be devoted to local charities. The programme was a varied and good one, all the performers throwing themselves heart and soul into their rôles and also making a very creditable show in the musical and choral part of the entertainment. The house was well filled and the numerous spectators were loud in their unstinted applause of the troupe. A special mention should be made of A. Miller, P.O. in his wonderful recitation of up-to-date hypnotism. His knowledge of the art is a very comprehensive one, and his number was, in itself, worthy of a visit to the City Hall last night. The following is the programme of the evening:—

Part I.—Overture, "The Liberty Bell"; comic song, "The Entry," J. Grady, A.B.; sentimental song, "Perhaps you've seen the Pictures," W. Talbot, L.S.; comic song, "Mulligan's Motor Car," J. Price, A.B.; comic song, "The Scientific Man," T. Wilson, A.B.; serio-comic, "Rose of Persia," W. McHale, A.B.; descriptive song, "The Runaway Mounted Foot," W. Storey, A.B.; character song, "Success to the Old Brigade," J. Green, A.B.; hypnotism up-to-date, A. Miller, P.O.

Part II.—Comic song, "The Laughing Cuckoo," W. Storey, A.B.; tableau, "Britannia's troupe," patriotic song, "John Bull's Letter Bag," A. Miller, P.O.; dance, "Hornpipe Display," J. Hatton, B.A. and O. Leary, Q.S.; song and patter, "The Two Macs," J. Grady, A.B. and Fog, R.M.A.; comic song, "Farmer Giles," J. Beagley; comic song, "Ch! isn't it singular," J. Price, A.B.

Part III.—Sketch, "Billy Doo," Scene: Village of Mudborn. Mr. Spruce, "An Irascible Old Gentleman," A. Miller, P.O.; Billy Doo, "Bill Poster," J. Towse, R.M.A.; Bill Wiggins, "Rival Bill Poster," W. Sutton, A.B.; Richard Spooner, "Grocer's Shopman," J. Grady, A.B.; Seraphina, "Seeking a lover through the matrimonial agency," W. Spooner, A.B.

By kind permission of Captain L. L. C. Stuart C.V.O., M.V.O., R.N., and the officers of H.M.S. *Vengeance*, the full band of that battleship, under the direction of Signor Carlo Guidotti, performed during the evening.

A DISPUTED WILL.

At the Supreme Court this morning, the Chief Justice heard an application of Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Ewens and Harston) on behalf of Ho Kam, alias Ho Nai Kam, to have the letters of administration with the will attached of the pretended will of Ho Lin Sing, deceased, dated July 12, 1901, revoked, and the will declared null and void. Counsel also asked to have letters of administration of deceased estate granted to him. The letters of administration were granted to him. The letters of administration were granted to plaintiff's brother, Ho Nai Cheong, who did not attend the Court. The Chief Justice gave judgment in favour of the plaintiff and remarked that the whole trouble was caused by plaintiff neglecting to take out necessary letters of administration at the time of his father's death.

A BIG DEBT.

Judgment for \$4,189 and costs was given by the Chief Justice this morning in favour of the Kin Tai Loong firm who sued Han Sui Shang and Leung Yauk in respect of the balance of an account rendered for goods sold and delivered by Mr. M. W. Slade (instructed by Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon) appeared for plaintiffs and defendants were not present, they having left the colony and their property having been seized and sold by order of the Court.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, 2nd February.

THE UNREST IN CANTON.

Changes come suddenly. A few days ago there was no unusual circumstances to indicate that there might be trouble. Then followed the placards threatening Smeaton. Of course, these placards mean very little and are not to be taken as the will of a large body of malcontents. They are much more likely to be the work of some fellow who has done this as a joke. At the same time there was, yesterday, and is to-day, a good deal of bad talk on the streets. Small sheets have been printed and sold on the streets urging the people to be ready for an uprising. The Viceroy has organized search parties to search the city for the hiding places of idlers and he had also increased the guards and the gates are closed early. It is evident that those who have caused this trouble are either very ignorant or merely intend to cause the officials some anxiety. It must be known to them that to give the open warning that has been given will defeat their ends. They have given the Viceroy time to prepare for the trouble, and any uprising would now be very difficult.

THE CLOSING OF THE MEDICAL SCHOOLS.

Yesterday the thirty-ninth year of the John Kerr Medical School for Men and the Twenty-fifth for Women was brought to a close. The closing exercises were held in the first Presbyterian Church in the Western part of the city. Four young men and four young women received diplomas. Since the death of Dr. Kerr the work of the College has been carried on by Dr. Elden. The women's department has been under the direction of Dr. Fulton for some years. Lately the fine buildings were built at the west end of the city and the work for women carried on there. At the closing exercises yesterday the large church was filled and deep interest taken in the proceedings. Dr. Niles has had charge in the work during the past year. Dr. Fulton is on furlough in the United States. During her absence, Dr. Fulton has not been idle. She has secured from a friend a sum of money sufficient to build and equip a hospital for children.

FIRE.

Another large fire occurred on Sunday night. The fire burned upwards of twenty houses and shops near seventeenth street. During the last few years this section has been burned several times. A number of fire-cracker shops in the street always cause the trouble.

JAPANESE SCHOOL.

The members of a Japanese Society have established a school in the city of Kau Kong, in the Nam Hoi district. The entry at first opposed the opening but an appeal was made to the Viceroy and as a result several ancestral halls have been handed over for school purposes. I have not been able to ascertain the nature of the instruction given.

E L E G R A M S.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

THE CRISIS.

WAR TAXES

STRONGLY OPPOSED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

YOKOHAMA, 3rd February,
8.10 p.m.

In continuation of my telegram of the 28th ultimo, stating that it was proposed to raise a hundred million yen on the land, income and sugar taxes, the Cabinet has now decided, in consequence of the opposition manifested, to suspend the promulgation of this scheme, submitted by Baron Arisuke Sone, Minister of Finance.

This new plan of taxation will be introduced on the opening of the Diet at the end of March next.

RUSSIA WIRES ROSEN.

JAPAN NOTIFIED.

Baron Rosen the Russian Minister at Tokio, received a lengthy telegram yesterday from his Government, and immediately communicated the contents to Baron Komura, the Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

THE NEW PAVILION.

Following are the recommendations of the sub-committee appointed for considering the question of a new pavilion for the Hongkong Cricket Club:—

1. That it is desirable and necessary to erect a new pavilion.
2. That such new pavilion should be a one-storied building.
3. That the cost of such pavilion do not exceed in the whole \$20,000.
4. That the club put itself in a position to pay 25 per cent. of the cost of the new pavilion in cash at the end of 1904 and raise sufficient money to pay the balance of the cost and give the club, in addition, what the committee may consider a suitable working balance, by the issue of 6 per cent. debentures to be of the face value of \$50 each, repayable in ten years, drawings commencing on the 31st October, 1905.
5. That all subscriptions be raised so per cent. for the next ensuing year and thereafter, and they submit that the subscriptions will, not then be excessive. From the figures placed at the disposal of the sub-committee they consider this increase necessary to justify the proposed expenditure and ensure the successful issue of debentures.

The club had a balance of about \$1400 at the end of last season, but its present income does not appear to more than comfortably cover expenditure.

The average subscriptions, increased by 50 per cent., should produce additional revenue of \$1,400 per annum sufficient to provide for interest and yearly drawings of debentures.

6. We consider that if the above suggestions are carried out the debentures will be subscribed for. The sub-committee will take \$2,000 worth.

7. We recommend the revised plan sent in by Messrs. Denison, Ram and Gibbs. They estimate the total cost at \$17,700 based on acceptance of King Tak Cheong's tender. It should be noted that this tender is probably only good for a few weeks.

8. If the committee approve of these recommendations, they should endeavour to get the debentures placed, and call an extraordinary general meeting of members as soon as possible.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

German (*Seydlitz*) 4th inst.
Australian (*Changsha*) 5th inst.
French (*Australien*) 6th inst.
Tacoma (*Tacoma*) 11th inst.
American (*Coptic*) 12th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of Japan*) 15th inst.
Indian (*Namsang*) 16th inst.

The Silk ex S.S. *Tremont* arrived at New York on 26th ult.

The N. P. S. Co's s.s. *Olympia* sailed from Kobe for Moji and this port on 2nd inst.

The Boston T. B. Co's s.s. *Lyra* sailed from Yokohama for Victoria and Tacoma on 1st inst.

The B. S. S. Co's s.s. *Tremont* sailed from Victoria for Yokohama and the usual ports on 1st inst.

The Aparca Co's s.s. *Catherine Aparca* from Calcutta left Singapore for this port this morning.

The H. A. L.'s s.s. *Namberg* from Hamburg left Singapore for this port on 2nd inst., p.m., and may be expected here on 9th inst.

The C. P. R. Co's s.s. *Athenian* arrived at Nagasaki at 8.30 a.m. on 2nd inst., and leaves again at 4 p.m., same day, for Kobe where she is due to arrive at 6 a.m. on 4th inst.

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TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

The Situation in Macedonia.

LONDON, 1st February.
The Macedonian situation appears to be entering on a more acute phase and it is reported that the relations between Hilmi Pasha and the Assessors are the reverse of cordial.

The War Cloud.

It is reported that, in the event of a Russo-Japanese war, the command of the Russian land forces will be entrusted to General Kuropatkin.

A Japanese official in London, who is acquainted with all the details of the negotiations, in an interview with Reuters representative, said that Japan was determined to insist on a binding written assurance in reference to Chinese sovereignty in Manchuria. Japan might agree to modifications on other points but without this, no matter what other concessions were made, she would break off negotiations and peace was impossible.

LATER.

Anglo-Italian Relations.

An Anglo-Italian Arbitration Convention has been signed.

(Japanese Exchange.)

Russian Note to China.

Peking, 21st January.
The Russian Government have forwarded a note to the Chinese Government with reference to the statement that the latter had decided to adopt a neutral attitude in case of hostilities. Russia made the following proposals:—1. All foreign officers in the employment of the Chinese Government to be dismissed. 2. The number of Chinese soldiers and the names of the places where they are stationed to be notified to the Russian authorities.

The Chinese Army.

Peking, 20th January.
An appropriation of two million taels has been made by the Treasury towards the expenditure relating to the organization of the new standing army. The enforcement of stamp duties proposed by the Ministry of War is now being considered by the Treasury authorities. It is expected that an annual revenue of 2,100,000 taels will accrue in Chihli province from this source alone.

The Situation in Korea.

Seoul, 22nd January.
It is reported that Ye Yong-yik ordered 10,000 rifles from France a few days ago.

Cheumipo, 22nd January.
Captain Murakami, Commander of the Japanese cruiser Chiyoda, invited the Commanders of the foreign warships in Cheumipo to the Ichijamuro Restaurant this afternoon and entertained them to a Japanese dinner. Major General Jichi, who was recently appointed Military attaché to the Japanese Legation in Seoul arrived here this afternoon. The warships in port were dressed to-day in honour of the coronation anniversary of King Edward VII.

Seoul, January 20th.
In reply to the Korean note, the French Minister has rejoined that France is simply following the example of the other Powers in the despatch of troops to Seoul, and that he trusts the cordial relations existing between the two countries will not be impaired thereby.

Seoul, January 20th.
The Emperor of Korea, being desirous to establish a Red Cross Society, has instructed Ye-yong Yik to investigate the matter. Ye proceeded to the palace yesterday evening and presented his Majesty with a copy of the statutes of the Japan Red Cross Society.

Germany's Colonial War.

SERIOUS SITUATION.

Berlin, January 21st.
The whole of German South-West Africa east of Karibbi is unsafe. Families are fleeing to Swakopmund. A relief force is on the way.

The marines ordered for service in German South-West Africa have departed from Wilhelmshaven, Colonel Durr delivering a powerful valedictory address.

Preparations to Relieve Windhuk.

Berlin, 21st January.
From the place of insurrection in German Southwest Africa the following reports arrive: The German gunboat *Habdt* has landed a part of her crew at Swakopmund. They have arrived at Karibbi. Ojimoingue is not exactly exposed to immediate danger. Omahuhu is besieged. The railway is destroyed, mostly by heavy rainfalls. The relief of Windhuk is now being prepared.

(Der Ostasiatische Lloyd.)

The Fire in Norway.

Berlin, 27th January.
In the Norwegian Southern the president thanked H.M. the Kaiser for the assistance which he and the great German shipping firms had rendered to the distressed people of Alesund. All Norwegian towns have hoisted flags to-day on the occasion of the Kaiser's birthday, in honour of his noble deed. King Oscar has sent to the Kaiser the first decoration of the Norwegian Order of the Lion, just created.

Russia's Reply to Japan.

BERLIN, 28th January.
It has only been notified to-day that the conference, presided over by the Tsar in St. Petersburg, will take place, for the purpose of drafting the reply to be given to Japan. All reports in regard to this answer are therefore apocryphal. The disposition of both the Tsar and Count Lamsdorff is entirely of a peaceful nature. Russia prefers, under all circumstances, a peaceful understanding with Japan rather than other policy in the Far East.

(Deutsche Japan-Post.)

Germany and the Congo.

Berlin, 25th January.
The King of the Belgians is paying a visit to Berlin. The visit, however, is only one of courtesy, and is not connected in any way with affairs on the Congo.

Germany does not intend to enter into any agreement with Belgium in antagonism to British policy regarding the Congo Free State.

(Japanese Exchange.)

Mobilisation of Siberian Troops.

LONDON, 25th January.
It is considered inevitable that Viceroy Alexieff's views will shortly prevail. It is declared that an order was issued last week for the mobilisation of the Russian troops in Siberia. A competent authority in St. Petersburg states that Russia will recognize the Manchurian question with China only, ignoring Japan.

Hesitation in St. Petersburg.

VIENNA, 25th January.
A St. Petersburg despatch states that Mr. Kurino, Japanese Minister to St. Petersburg, had a long interview with Count Lamsdorff on Saturday, the 23rd. Mr. Kurino was instructed by the Tokyo Government to see the Russian Foreign Minister and endeavour to ascertain the Russian attitude with regard to the Japanese Note recently forwarded to Russia.

Reliable authorities here state that the Czar and the Foreign Minister earnestly desire prompt settlement of the situation, but that Viceroy Alexieff's attitude is not yet definitely known. The course to be taken by China and the powers is also uncertain, and thus the Russian Government are still wavering as to their final decision. It is, however, known in St. Petersburg that the Military preparation in the Far East, both on land and water, are incomplete and far from ready for active service. It is therefore thought that Russia will inevitably have to give in to Japan if the latter assumes a strong attitude.

English and American Feeling.

LONDON, January 25.
A leading article in the *Times* states that the necessity of Japan securing ample guarantees from Russia has been completely demonstrated. Stringent stipulations are indispensable. News from the United States shows that Americans equally recognise this necessity. Japan's firmness is everywhere highly praised.

Great Britain Dissatisfied.

LONDON, January 23rd.
Great Britain is not entirely satisfied with the note in which Russia repeats an obscure promise with regard to the future of Manchuria, and which was recently circulated among the Powers.

The object of Russia is believed to be to merely prolong the time.

Tientsin Expects War.

Tientsin, January 25th.
Financial circles here expect war between Japan and Russia and business is almost abandoned. It was reported this morning that 6,500 Russians had taken possession of Newchwang and hoisted the Russian flag over the public buildings. The leading business men deny the accuracy of the report; but the news has caused additional panic.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LD.

The report of the directors for the year ending the 31st December last, for presentation to the shareholders at the eighteenth ordinary annual general meeting of the company, to be held on Wednesday, the 10th inst., is as follows:—To the shareholders of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Company, Limited.
Gentlemen,—The directors now beg to submit to you their report and statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903. The net profit for that period amounts to \$96,732.29. To which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account 12,117.97 \$108,850.26

And from this have to be deducted:—
Remuneration to directors 5% commission on net profits \$4,836.61
Remuneration to General Managers 5% commission on net profit \$4,836.61 9,673.22

Leaving available for appropriation \$99,177.04
The directors recommend that a dividend of 90 cents or nine per cent. on the paid-up capital be paid to the shareholders, and the balance of \$9,177.04 be carried to new profit and loss account.

DIRECTORS.

Hon. C. S. Sharp having resigned, Mr. A. G. Wood was invited to fill the vacancy and accepted a seat on the Board. In accordance with rule 76 of the Articles of Association, Messrs. J. S. Van Buren, C. Ewins, H. W. Slade, A. G. Wood and Ho Tung reitre, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. W. H. Gaskell and W. Hutton Potts, who offer themselves for re-election.

HART HUCK, Chairman.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1904.

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1903.

Liabilities.	
Capital account 10,000 shares @ \$10.00	\$1,000,000.00
Insurance reserve fund	200,607.31
Fund for equalization of dividends	50,000.00
Unclaimed dividends	2,248.30
Sundry creditors	224,681.73
Profit and loss account:—	
Amount carried forward from 1902	\$12,117.97
For the year 1903	96,732.29
	\$1,586,387.60

Assets.	
Amount invested in property on mortgage	\$96,996.96
Accounts receivable	445,440.65
Fire insurance premium unexpired	169,838.30
Office furniture	959.75
Cash in hand	51.94
	\$1,586,387.60

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Dr.	
To General charges	\$ 2,964.43
By Crown rent	2,733.11
By Fire insurance	5,046.04
By Repairs	1,868.60
By Allowance to General Managers to cover office rent and salaries of secretary and clerks	4,000.00
By Balance	108,850.26
	\$125,462.44

Cr.	
By Amount carried forward for 1902	\$ 12,117.97
By Rents	67,213.22
By Interest	28,267.34
By Commission	295.98
By Transfer fees	274.00
By Profit on sales of properties	17,993.93
	\$125,462.44

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SONS,
General Managers.
J. LAURENCE COTT, P.
Secretary.

We have compared the above statement with the books, vouchers and securities of the company and have found the same to be correct.
W. H. GASKELL, Auditors.
W. HUTTON POTTS, Auditors.
Hongkong, 27th January, 1904.

THE HONGKONG ICE CO., LD.

Following is the 23rd annual report for presentation to shareholders at the meeting of the company to be held on 10th inst.:—
The general managers have pleasure in submitting a statement of the company's accounts for the year 1903.

Including \$3,632.06 brought forward from the previous year, and after deducting \$20,000 paid as an interim dividend of \$1 per share, the balance at credit of profit and loss account is \$100,844.57, which it is recommended should be appropriated as follows:—
A final dividend of \$12 per share, \$60,000.00
Provision for contingencies, 35,000.00
To carry forward, 5,844.57
\$100,844.57

J. A. DINE, MATHEWSON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1904.

Assets.	
Property account	\$108,700.00
Extension account	41,750.88
Invested in:—	
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co's share	225.00
China Fire Insurance Co's share	85.00
Canton Insurance Office's share	120.00
Cash on hand	2,361
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on current account	71,290.08
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on deposit	20,000.00
Outstanding accounts	6,146.40
Accounts receivable	3,481
Ice in stock	180.00
Coal in stock	300.00
Fire insurance, unexpired premium	166.70
	\$148,736.48

Liabilities.	
Capital	\$125,000.00
Accounts payable	11,765.48
Ammonia reserve account	11,126.43
Profit and loss account	100,844.57
	\$148,736.48

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.
Total salaries, wages, and general trade expenses, \$41,987.66
General Managers' commission, 2,000.00
Auditor's fee, 150.00
Interim dividend of 16% paid on 28th July, 1903, 20,000.00
Balance, 100,844.57
\$164,982.23

By Balance brought forward from last year, \$3,632.06
Receipts for ice and cold storage, 157,289.69
Rents received (less Crown rent and taxes paid), 2,391.46
Interest, 1,055.02
Transfer fees, 12.00
\$164,982.23

Hongkong, 31st December, 1903.
J. A. DINE, MATHEWSON & CO.,
General Managers.
I have examined the books, vouchers and securities of the company and certify that the above statements are in accordance therewith.
THO. ARNOLD,
Auditor.

HONGKONG AND MANILA CARRYING TRADE.
Mr. Seth P. Mobley, chief of the consular and statistical division of the custom house, has prepared the following table showing the movement of foreign vessels entering the Port of Manila from and clearing for Hongkong with cargo during the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1903.

Flag.	Vessels Entered	Tonnage	Vessels Cleared	Tonnage
American	10	7,218	6	21,029
Austrian	1	1,201	1	3,201
British	149	231,746	157	220,491
Belgian	1	1,201	1	1,201
French	1	1,201	1	1,201
German	1	1,201	1	1,201
Japanese	10	115,375	66	173,341
Norwegian	1	1,201	1	1,201
Total	207	346,451	217	376,158

A DISCREPANCY SHOWN.

It will be noticed that there is a considerable discrepancy between the number and tonnage of vessels "entered" and "cleared." This is accounted for by the fact that many vessels enter other ports and clear for Hongkong, and that some vessels clear for Hongkong when the final destination is in fact some other country. This is true of the once-a-month trou h vessels of the Pacific Mail, which arrive from Nagasaki and clear for Hongkong, to remain here a few days for repairs before clearing for the United States; Japanese vessels also frequently arrive from Nagasaki and clear for Hongkong.

MOST ACCURATE DATA AVAILABLE.

The table affords the most accurate data available for estimating the tonnage of the carrying trade between Hongkong and Manila, as it excludes all vessels in ballast plying either way between Manila and Hongkong.

It will be noticed that in the carrying trade between Hongkong and Manila, Japanese vessels control more than one third the entire traffic, standing next in importance to British vessels.

It is likely that the withdrawal of Japanese vessels from commerce between the Philippines, Islands and Chinese and Japanese ports, in consequence of prospects of war between Russia and Japan, will have greater influence on trade than most people who have not given the subject special study would imagine.

WAR SCARE AFFECTS COMMERCE.

The total number of Japanese vessels entering the port of Manila during the year ending December 31st, 1903, from all ports, was 91 representing a tonnage of 235,333 tons. The number of Japanese vessels clearing from the port of Manila during the same period was 89, the aggregate tonnage being 230,708 tons.

The withdrawal of such a percentage of the carrying trade cannot fail to materially affect general commerce until other vessels are found to take the place of those withdrawn.—*Manila Times.*

TURF TOPICS.

Gallopings were restricted to the inside course to-day, and it proved fairly fast until rain commenced falling at about 7.30 a.m. Times were recorded as follows:—

Discord—1 mile—37, 1.13, 1.45, 2.23, 2.56.
Rocket—1 mile—36, 1.09, 1.41, 2.19, 2.56.
Rare Rose—1 mile—last 1/2, 37, 1.13, 1.47.
Northern Rose—1 mile—last 1/2, 37, 1.11, 1.44.

Starling—1 mile—last 1/2, 1.44, 2.16.
Rebel King—1 mile—last 1/2, 1.08.
Daybreak—1 mile—last mile, 32, 1.05, 1.41, 1.15.

Algerine—1 mile—last mile, 35, 1.11, 1.45, 2.17.
Protection—1 mile—35, 1.09, 1.44, 2.16.
Alarm and Sentry—1 mile—last 1/2, 35, 1.11, 1.45.

La France Rose—1 mile—35, 1.08, 1.41, 1.13, 2.46.
Culex—1 mile—44, 1.27, 2.04, 2.37.
Coronet Rose and Mignonette Rose—1 mile—37, last 1/2, 1.40.

Hurd—last 1/2, 35, 1.10, 1.44.
Disclosure—1 mile—34, 1.05.
Tectum and Chieflain—1 mile—32, 1.03, 1.38.

Aladdin and Regret—1 mile—joined by Clifton—1 mile—32, 1.06, 1.39, 2.13. Aladdin should be carefully watched and might prove a dangerous competitor.

Turbine (1st), Fair Trade (2nd), and Pink Rose (3rd)—1 mile—38, 1.13, 1.57, 2.25, 2.58.
Fiscal—1 mile—37, 1.11, 1.49, 2.25, 2.58.
Ben Roy—1 mile—32, 1.05.

Bunder—1 mile, last 1/2—34, 1.01, 1.43.
Total time 2.18.
Pomello and Mongoose—1 mile—(1), 1.09, 1.42.

Spero—1 mile—last 1/2, 33, 1.07, 1.42.
Combine—1 mile—38, 1.13, 1.51, 2.24, 2.59.
Sylph Rose—1 mile—34, 1.08, 1.43, 2.16.
Liberty Rose and Eclipse—1 mile—34, (1), 1.42, 2.19, 2.57.

Mountaineer—1 mile—2.18.
Dandy (Waler)—1 mile—2.37.

EARLY BIRD.

KOON HEW FREE SCHOOL.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

The presentation of prizes at the Koon Hew Free School, Bonham Strand West, was performed last night by Mr. Lo Koon Ting. The yearly report of Mr. Chan Hewan showed that the school afforded instruction to 200 pupils. Five masters have been engaged and the school was opened for two hours each evening, the total expenses amounting to about \$3,000 a year. Since Mr. C. Kent had resigned the headmastership his place had been taken by Mr. Kwok Ying Kun, who is assisted by four other masters. Several boys who had studied there had now obtained good positions with mercantile firms. Mr. Kwong Wa Tai, M.A., conducted the examinations with the following results:—Class I—1, Tang Shing Cleung; 2, Sham Wai; 3, Chung Chu Ngan; 4, Chung Sik Lun (English into Chinese); and Wong Kam Ying (Chinese into English). Class II—1, Mak Ping Fui; 2, Yan Kam Ching; 3, Lau King Ching. Class III—1, Lui Man Tan; 2, Chan Leung; 3, Lui Man Sui. Class IV—1, Shi Yung Shang; 2, Lui Man Sit; 3, Wong Ying Tong. Class V—1, Lui Ping Chung; 2, Shi Shan Chi; 3, Lo Ping Sham. Class V.B—Chan Ki Shui; 2, Chang Ping Tong; 3, Cheung Wa Cho. The management thanked the following subscribers to the prize fund:—Captain W. Robinson, Captain L. H. Richards, Mr. J. R. Chapman, Captain and Mrs. E. J. Page, Captain R. Lincoln, Captain and Mrs. W. M. Mason, Mr. E. J. Moses, Captain W. H. Lunt, Captain J. Whitelaw, Mr. J. Weir, Captain J. A. Pratt, Captain A. A. Crawford, Mr. Jean Trevoux and Mr. A. Bunne.

NORTHERN NOTES.

ANOTHER LOAN.

From the Kobe Herald of 27th ult.:—
It is reported from Tokyo this afternoon that the meeting of the Statesmen and the Ministry held at the Premier's official residence yesterday afternoon did not conclude until 8 o'clock in the evening. It is believed that it was decided to double the income and land taxes for a certain period, in order to raise funds for the military expenditure. It is further believed that the Government will entrust the Bank of Japan with the issue of a war loan in London. The total amount of the loan, it is said, will be ¥100,000,000, and the rate of interest, 5 per cent. per annum. The loan would be repayable in the course of five years.

RUSSIA SEEKS INTERVENTION.

A Tokyo despatch to the *Mainichi* states that Russia is in a very awkward position and that she has attempted to settle the situation by invoking the intervention of some of the powers. She invited Germany, France, Great Britain and Italy to take action, but all attempts in this direction have ended in failure. Russia now pretends that she never invited any powers to intervene, and is seeking to continue the negotiations with Japan. A reliable report received in Tokyo on Monday night states that Count Lamsdorff sought an interview with Mr. Kurino and declared that Russia desires a peaceful settlement of the difficulty. The Count explained the cause of the delay in the despatch of the Russian Reply and promised that it should soon be sent to Japan.

FROM THE KOBE CHRONICLE (January 27):—

CABINET COUNCIL.

A Cabinet Council was held yesterday, commencing at 10 a.m., to consider the questions relating to the political situation. It lasted until late in the afternoon, when a conference was held, at which the Ministers for War, Navy, Foreign Affairs, and Finance met Marquis Ito and the other Elder-Statesmen. It is understood the question considered was of a very grave nature.

MUSTERING OF RUSSIAN TROOPS.

On the authority of investigations made by the Japanese authorities, it is stated that the principal force of the Russian troops in Manchuria is mustered at Port Arthur. Strong detachments, however, are stationed at Vladivostok, Harbin, Mukden, Lianyung, and Nicolish. The total Russian force in Manchuria is now believed to reach 200,000, and reinforcements are continually arriving by rail.

ALIBION SPIES.

Two arrests of suspected spies have been made by the police at Hakodate and Yokosuka which suggest that the authorities are paying closer attention to Japanese than they appear to have been doing in the past, judging from the frequent accounts that have appeared in our columns of indignities suffered by suspected foreigners when travelling in remote parts of Japan.

It is reported that a Japanese who gave his name as Awa Katsumi was arrested at Hakodate on Monday as a man engaged in espionage in the interests of Russia. Last Friday another Japanese, Takahashi by name, was arrested within the strategic zone near Yokosuka and sent to the Yokohama Court for trial. It is said this man speaks French and Russian fluently, and has lived with a Russian officer for about ten years, and, moreover, has been watched as a suspected spy for some time. In the last of these arrests, unlike the case of suspected foreigners, there is some basis for the action of the police, who perhaps recognise now that a Japanese is much more likely to be the emissary of a foreign Government requiring espionage work in Japan than is a foreigner, who at the present time could not get far from any town without attracting the keen attention of the police. It is well known that Governments employ spies in any particular country natives rather than foreigners, as the former do not excite the same suspicion.

COMMERCIAL.

Shanghai advices of the 29th ult. report business done:—Shanghai Tugs at Tls. 43 "Pre" cash, and Tls. 53 for June "Ord." Indo-China at Tls. 52 cash, and Tls. 54 for April. Farman Boys at Tls. 126 cash, Tls. 128 for March, and Tls. 129 for April. Matuschuppis at Tls. 29 1/2 cash, and Tls. 30 1/2 for 3/30/35 for March. Pulpas at Tls. 116.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.

London—Bank T.T.	1/9 15/16
Do. demand	1/10
Do. 4 months' sight	1/10 1/4
France—Bank T.T.	2/30
America—Bank T.T.	44
Germany—Bank T.T.	1/8
India T.T.	135 1/2
Do. demand	135 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	71 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T.	90 1/2
Singapore—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Jawa—Bank T.T.	110 1/2

Buying.	
4 months' sight L/C	1/10 1/2
6 months' sight L/C	1/10 3/4
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	45
4 months' sight do.	45 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	1/10 1/4
4 months' sight France	2/30
6 months' sight do.	2/35 1/2
4 months' sight Germany	1/10 1/4
3 months' sight Germany	1/10 1/4
1/2 Silver	26 1/16
Bank of England rate	4 1/2

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—	
	Per chest

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 3rd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 12th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 22nd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"RHIPHEUS"	On 4th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 5th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 12th March.

S.S. "GLAUCUS" left Singapore 28th inst. and is due here 3rd February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	"NESTOR"	On 5th February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 16th February.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"KEEMUN"	On 22nd February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	On 1st March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 15th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"AJAX"	On 20th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 29th March.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"AGAMEMNON"	On 24th February.

S.S. "PELEUS" left Victoria, B.C., on the 30th ult. for this Port via Japan.

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Hongkong, 3rd February, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"KWANGSE"	6th February.
ILOILO	"WUOHANG"	6th " at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CHANGSHA"	9th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TSINAN"	12th "

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RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 6th Feb., at 10 A.M.
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PERLA	1980	A. H. Nottley	—	—

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Hongkong, 30th January, 1904.

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Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1904.

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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1904.

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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1904.

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THE MANAGER.

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Arrivals.

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Kaifong, Br. s.s., 1,024, Pennefather, 2nd Feb.,
—Cebu via Iloilo and Manila 30th Jan.,
—Gen.—B. & S.

Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 997, Soucheire, 2nd Feb.,
—Saigon 29th Jan., Rice and Flour-Rice—
Man Fat.

Sikh, Br. s.s., 1,216, Rowley, 2nd Feb.,—Amoy
1st Feb., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.

Hue, Fr. s.s., 704, Godinan, 2nd Feb.,
—Haiphong and Kwong-chow-wan 1st Feb.,
—Gen.—A. R. M.

Anping Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,053, Goto, 2nd Feb.,
—Fochow via Amoy and Swatow 1st
Feb., Gen.—O. S. K.

Lennox, Br. s.s., 2,361, McNair, 2nd Feb.,
—Rangoon 20th Jan., Rice,—D. & Co., Ltd.

Andree Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,020, Köhn, 3rd
Feb.,—Bangkok 26th Jan., Rice and Gen.—
B. & S.

Lyecompton, Ger. s.s., 1,238, Lehmann, 3rd
Feb.,—Canton 2nd Jan., Gen.—S. & Co.

Siberia, Am. s.s., 1,728, Smith, 3rd Feb.,
—San Francisco 17th Jan., and Shanghai 1st
Feb., Mail and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Thales, Br. s.s., 821, Robson, 3rd Feb.,
—Fochow 31st Jan., Amoy 1st Feb., and
Swatow 2nd, Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Benledi, Br. s.s., 1,483, Clark, 3rd Feb.,
—Moji 29th Jan., Coaf.—G. L. & Co.

Choyang, Br. s.s., 1,424, Roope, 3rd Feb.,
—Shanghai 30th Jan., and Swatow 2nd Feb.,
—Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Germanica, Ger. s.s., 2,575, Behrmann, 3rd
Feb.,—Kutchinotzu 29th Jan., Coal-
Order.

at the Harbour Office.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Ilha Verde, for Macao.
Fuklah, for Bangkok.
Ying King, for Canton.
Lennox, for Kobe.
Chowfu, for Swatow.
Tatping, for Chinkiang.
Thew, for Ke-lo.
Pittanulok, for Swatow.
Triumph, for Swatow.
Sullberg, for Kobe.
Wingchui, for Macao.
Kunsang, for Singapore.
Kongnam, for Canton.

Departures.

Feb. 3.
Sachsen, for Europe.
Pitsanulok, for Swatow.
Chowfa, for Swatow.
Hongkong, for Quong-chow-wan.
Kumsan, for Calcutta.
Chihli, for Manila.
Empire, for Kobe.
Telemachus, for Saigon.
Hangsang, for Swatow.
Holstein, for Shanyhai.

passenger arrived.

Per *Bauhin*, from Saigon—101 Chinese.
Per *Sikh*, from Fouchow—Mr. and Mrs. C. Wald and family.
Per *Katfong*, from Cebu—Messrs. C. Lopez, J. Regis and H. G. Yok. From Iloilo—Mr. Julian, and Mrs. Chin See. From Manila—Messrs. W. S. Chiene, G. B. Howard, and Chinese.
Per *Choyang*, from Shanghai, &c.—Mr. Mrs. Souza and family, Mr. Edwards, and Chinese.
Per *Thales*, from Const. Ports—Miss Plunkett, Mr. and Mrs. MacKenzie and child, Miss Myers, McGregor, Rev. McGregor, Miss Johnson, Rev. and Mrs. Thompson, Miss Barnum, Mr. Rugh, Capt. Barrow, Messrs. Hartwell, Kun, and 34 Chinese.
Per *Siberia*, from San Francisco, &c.—and Mrs. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Boyd, 2 infants, Mr. J. Erien, Rev. and Mrs. F. Davis and infant, Messrs. Asa Fisher, Rolla Gardner, Mrs. L. D. Miner, M. Baranski, J. J. Montaner, L. G. Reinburg, Rev. S. and Mrs. Rossier, Misses A. and F. Rossi, Mr. W. H. Taylor, Mr. H. N. Cook, Messrs. C. G. Cook, A. E. Phillips, D. F. Stephens and servant, W. G. Pirnie, Geo. C. Sell, E. W. Tilden, Senator and Mrs. Brown, Irene Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wins, Miss M. Mather, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Tritsch, and Mrs. William Daniel, C. N. H. Br. Mr. and Mrs. W. B. White, Mrs. P. M. B. Miss Carst, Mrs. Chas. M. Trozer, Mr. W. Morris, Miss M. J. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. A. Scoville, Mrs. F. W. Larned, Mrs. W. Pratt, H. K. Heman, Messrs. I. Lind, Mrs. Lynn, Mrs. Victor Blue and infant, Miss Dezenegreul, Messrs. Byron Stevens, J. A. Guffin, H. G. Herald, Miss Audrey, Sawyer, Messrs. I. D. Rockwood, C. F. Mrs. J. F. Tompkins, infant and servant, and Mrs. J. H. Lyman, Mr. and Mrs. S. Miss Else Hlink, Messrs. W. Lamont, W. Farham, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gray, Mr. Gray and 2 servants, Messrs. L. G. Mail, William Goodwin, C. Davidson, and Chinese.

Steamers Expected.

<i>Vassals</i>	<i>From</i>	<i>Agents</i>	<i>Due</i>
Seydlitz	Singapore	M. & Co.	Feb. 4
Aki Maru	Shanghai.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 4
Changsha	P. Darwin	K. & C.	Feb. 5
Borneo	Singapore	K. & C.	Feb. 5
Capri	Singapore	C. & Co.	Feb. 5
Andalusia	Singapore	H. A. L.	Feb. 7
Mogul	Singapore	D. & Co.	Feb. 7
Australie	Singapore	M. M.	Feb. 8
Tijlaniat	Macassar	C. J. J. L.	Feb. 8
C. Apar	Singapore	D. S. & Co.	Feb. 9
Bamberg	Singapore	H. A. L.	Feb. 9
Tacoma	Victoria	N. P. & Co.	Feb. 11
Coptic	San F'isco	S. & O.	Feb. 12
Indrapura	Japan	N. & Co.	Feb. 12
Emp. of Japan	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	Feb. 15
Namsang	Calcutta	J. M. & Co.	Feb. 16

Shipping Reports.

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Sir. Benedit from Meji :—Strong N.W. wind, N. of Lamoeka.

Sir. Sibb from Amoy :—Strong N'ly winds, rough following sea.

Sir. Lennox from Rangoon :—Experienced heavy monsoon, high sea.

Sir. Andree Rickmers from Bangkok :—Strong monsoon with rain.

Sir. Thales from Pouchow, etc. :—Strong N.E. monsoon and high sea, thence to port moderate wind and sea, overcast weather, continuous rain.

Sir. Katfong from Manila :—Left there at 7.47 p.m. on 30th ult., passed Cape Kapones at 3.40 a.m. on the 31st, experienced strong E.N.E. wind, with high beam sea throughout.

Sir. Bourbon from Saigon :—Very strong monsoon after Paracels Reef, moderate at Pagan and Varella with clear weather, stormy weather, rain, fog, after Paracels, hard and rough sea.

Sir. Cheoyssing from Shanghai :—Moderate N.W. winds and overcast misty weather, at Heishan Island thence to Swatow moderate to fresh N.E. monsoon, high sea and dull overcast weather, thence to port light N.E. monsoon, overcast and light rain.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dook Returns.

Ellen Rickmers	at	Kiowloon	Dock
Sungking	11	19	11
Tsingtau	11	11	11
Lin Tan	11	19	11
Perla	11	11	11
Tartar	11	19	11
Lydia	11	19	11
H.I.G.M.S. Moewe	11	19	11
H.M.S. Glory	11	19	11
Vigilant	11	11	11
Tritos	11	19	11
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Cosmopolitan

Ships Passed The Cana

outward—29th December—Bengtol, Mo-
 nathwirth, Chinkua, Konigsberg, Gertr. 20
 January—Arctisida. 6th January—Andalus
 Volga, Indramayu. 9th January—Bamber
 florence. 13th January—Indrawadi, Seydlitz
 Silesia, (Aus.) Euzine, Linan, Salfordia. 15
 January—Eidsfold, Inaba Maru, Australasia
 Jussell. 20th January—Sambia. 23rd Janu-
 ary—Ertiria, Glenelgton, Agamemnon. 27
 January—Fooling, Ardingere, Manila
 Room. 30th January—Wakusa Maru.
 Homeward—13th January—Kawachi Maru
 23rd January—Prometheus, Indranil. 27
 January—Aragonia, Bineo Maru, Java. 30
 January—Kautschou, Glenroy.
 Arrivals at Home—2nd January—Saxon
 Tantalus, Freiburg. 6th January—Sydn-
 Sado Maru. 9th January—Briskuel, Net-
 chow, Polyphemus. 13th January—Anten-
 Kurdistan, Armand Behic. 16th January—
 Prinz Heinrich. 20th January—Glenish
 Seneca, Hyson, Suevia. 23rd January—Ko-
 Albert. 27th January—Formosa 30th Janu-
 ary—Achilles, Sulzeig, Marburg.

Vessels in Port.

SEAFARERS.

Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1,344, Muble, 27th Jan.
Sandakan 21st Jan, Gen. and Timber
M. & Co.
Charles Hardouin, Fr. s.s. 876, Laurag, 1
Jan., -Nantes 15th Nov. and Singap.
3rd Jan., Ballast.-M. M.
Chowlat, Ger. s.s., 1,115, Textor, 30th Jan.
Bangkok via Hoihow 21st Jan, Rice.-
& S.
Devawangse, Ger. s.s., 1,057, Kümpe, 1
Jan., -Bangkok 23rd Jan, Rice.-B. &
Emma Luyken, Ger. s.s., 1,110, Matens,
Feb., -Moj. 27th Jan, Coal.-E. A. T.
Empress of India, Br. s.s., 3,003, Marshall, 1
Jan., -Vancouver 28th Dec., and Shang-
17th Jan, Mails and Gen.-C. P. R. C.
Frithjof, Nor. s.s., 891, Haraldsen, 30th Jan.
Kutchinotzu 14th Jan, Coal.-S. W. &
Kennebec, Br. s.s., 1,426, Wallace, 29th Jan.
New York 26th Dec., and Singapore
Jan., Kerosine.-S. O. Co.
Liscum, Am. transport, 1,074, Healey,
Jan., -Manila 13th Jan, Ballast.-U.
Govt.
Lydia, Ger. s.s., 1,774, Girstenbran, 1st Fe.
-Canton 31st Jan, Gen.-H. A. L.
Maristow, Br. s.s., 2,269, Prosper, 28th Jan.
Moj. 22nd Jan, Coal.-B. & Co.
Meeloo, Ch. s.s., 1,321, Whitlow, 2nd Fe.
Canton 1st Feb, Gen.-C. M. S. N. C.
Onsang, Br. s.s., 1,787, Davies, 29th Jan.
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 4th Feb., 5 P.M.
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 Feb., 8 A.M.
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 Feb., 3 P.M.
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Arco, 8th Feb., 11 A.M.
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Ernest Simons, 9th Feb., 11 A.M.
 Yokohama and Kobe—*Per Changsha*, 9th
 Feb., 3 P.M.
 Yokohama, Kobe and Tsintau—*Per Andalu-*
sia, 10th Feb., 10 A.M.
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 11th Feb., 11.30 A.M.
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 Honolulu and San Francisco—*Per Siberia*,
 13th Feb., 11 A.M.
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THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 3rd at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has fallen generally, particularly over Japan.

A depression coming from the continent has reached NE. Japan this morning.

Pressure is highest over N. China.

Gradients are moderate with fresh monsoon in the Formosa Channel and strong monsoon over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—moderate NE. winds; dull, some rain.

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		10.50.		30.36		30.13	
		Barometer		62		64	
		Temperature		62		68	
		Humidity		68		68	
		Rainfall.		—		—	
CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER							
February 3rd, 1904, a.m.							
		Bar. Th. Hu. Wind W.					
Vladivostock		7 a.m.					
1st S.	Vemuro	"	29.80		SW	4	—
1st S.	Lokudate	"	29.85		NW	0	—
19th	Tokio	"	30.06			2	—
19th	Kochi	"	30.07			0	—
19th	Nagasaki	"	30.11		W	8	—
19th	Kagoshima	"	30.15		S	2	—
19th	C. Sima	"	30.24			—	—
19th	Naha	"	30.21			—	—
19th	Ishigakijima	"	30.13		SE	6	—
19th	Taihoiku	5 a.m.	30.11			—	—
19th	Taichu	"	30.10			0	—
19th	Tainan	"	30.10		N	2	—
19th	Koshun	"	30.10		NE	4	—
19th	Pescadores	"	30.11			—	—
19th	Wei-hai-wei	9 a.m.	32.27	35	NE	1	—
19th	Gutzlaff	"	30.35	42	NNE	3	—
19th	Shup Peak	"	30.19	57	NNE	3	—
19th	Amoy	6.30 a.m.	30.20	61	W	1	—
19th	Suwait	"					
19th	Canton	"					
19th	Hongkong	10 a.m.	30.17	64	85		0
19th	Victoria Peak	"			NE	4	—
19th	Gap Rock	"	30.16		NE	4	—
19th	Macao	"					
19th	Hai-phong	"					
19th	Manila	"	29.92	82	63	E	11
19th	Bicolud	9 a.m.			N	4	—
19th	Iloilo	"	29.87	79			0
19th	Cebu	"	29.94	84		N	2
19th	C. St. James	10 a.m.					

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THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.		PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd.	\$	125	Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8 = \$18 for half- year ending 30.6.1903	\$645
National Bank of China, Ltd.	£	8	3/8 = \$2 for 1903	\$33 b.
Do. Founders.	£	1	None	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$	102	32 per cent = \$32 per share for 1902 ...	\$490 s.
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$	25	16 % = \$4 for year ended 30.4.1903	\$56
North China In. Co., Ltd.	£	5	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902	Tls. 69
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$	60	20 % = \$12 for 1901	\$135
Canton In. Office, Ltd.	\$	50	30 % = \$15 per share for 1902	\$175
FIRE INSURANCES.				
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$	50	\$22 per share for 1901	\$300 b.
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$	20	\$6 per share for 1901	\$92 b.
SHIPPING.				
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	\$	15	\$1 1/2 for half-year ending 30.6.1903 ...	\$31 1/2 sa.
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	£	10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902	\$76
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	£	50	10 % = \$5 per share for 1902	\$50
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$	50	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903 ...	\$30
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$	5	\$1.20 = 12% for year ending 31.12.1902 ..	\$19
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£	1	60 cts. 30/4/03	£1 b.
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	Interim of 1/- for 1903	Tls. 30 s.
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co. Limited.	Tls.	50	Interim of 2 % for 1903	Tls. 49 s.
Do. Preference.	Tls.	50	Interim of 3 1/2 % = Tls. 1.75	Tls. 45 s.
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$	102	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1903	\$106
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$	102	\$3 per share for 1897	\$10 s.
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	5 % = Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.03 ...	Tls. 50 sa.
MINING.				
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	\$	11	None	\$1 s.
Société Française des Char- bonnages du Tonkin	Fr.	250	Interim of Frs. 30 for 1903	\$600 s.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£	18.10	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$6 b.
Chinese Engineering & Min- ing Co., Ltd.	£	1	No. 2 of 1/- per share 26.10.03	Tls. 5 1/2 sa.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.				
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$	50	12 % = \$ 6 for 1/2 year 30.6.03	\$209 b.
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.	Tls.	100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1/2 year ending 31.10.1903	Tls. 125 b.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$	50	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1903	\$95 b.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$	62	\$2 1/2 for 1902	\$37 1/2 s.
Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	Tls.	100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 200 b.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.				
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$	10	8 % = 80 cents per share for 1902	\$9
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$	100	Final of \$6 making \$12 for 1903	\$150
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	\$	30	\$2.50 per share for 1903	\$35
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$	50	Final of \$1.70 making \$3.20 for 1903 ...	\$55
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$	50	\$6 for first 1/2 year 1903	\$147
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	\$	25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03	\$29 sa.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	Tls.	25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 14 sa.
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$	10	9 per cent. for 1902	\$11 1/2
Shai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	Interim of 6 % for 1903	Tls. 120 b.
COTTON MILLS.				
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$	10	Final of 60 cents, making \$1 for 1/2 1902/1903	\$15 1/2 s.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls.	50	8 % for period ended 31.10.1902	Tls. 32 s.
International Cotton Manufac- turing Co., Ltd.	Tls.	75	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898 ...	Tls. 25 b.
Lau-uk-mow Cotton Spinn- ing & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls.	100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898 ...	Tls. 35
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls.	500	4 % for period ended 31.12.1897	Tls. 170
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.				
Alhambra, Ltd.	\$	500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	\$200
Philippine Co., Ltd.	\$	10	First year	\$10 b.
Shanghai - Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	Tls.	20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 5 1/2 s.
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$	10	12 % = \$1.20 per share for 1902	\$25 b.
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$	12	First year	\$8 1/2
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$	10	Interim of 5 % for 1903	\$1 1/2 s.
Watkins, Ltd.	\$	10	\$1 per share for 1902	\$7 1/2 b.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$	10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$12 1/2
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$	5	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903 ...	\$7
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.	£	10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901	\$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufac- ing Co., Ltd.	\$	50	\$10 for 1902	\$145 b.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$	25	15 per cent = \$3.75 for 1902	\$50
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$	25	Interim of \$4 for 1903	\$240
Hongkong High-Level Tram- ways Co., Ltd.	\$	100	\$20 for year ending 31.11.1903	\$300
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$	6	\$1 1/2 for year ending 31.7.1903	\$12 1/2 b.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	\$	10	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902	\$40 s.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	£	10.12.6	\$5 s.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$	4	90 cents } for year ending 31.5.03 ...	\$9 1/2 b.
Do. Founders.	\$	10	\$29.70 }	\$210 b.
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$	10	Final of 6 % making 12 % for year ...	\$158 b.
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$	10	None	\$5 b.
William Powell, Ltd.	\$	10	\$1 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$9 1/2 b.
Maatschappij tot Mijn, Bosch- en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	Guilders	100	5th interim dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 paid 15.12.1903 making 50 far Tls. 35 for the year ending 31.10.03	Tls. 295
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	\$	50	First year	\$50
South China Morning Post, Ltd.	\$	25	First year	\$25
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